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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: AORG, WFC, NO
SUBJ: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR WORLD FOOD COUNCIL

REF: STATE 81535

1. PER REFTEL WE INFORMED MFA DIRECTOR JOHAN DAHL OF US INTEREST
IN PUTTING FORWARD A CANDIDATE FOR WORLD FOOD COUNCIL EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR VICE JOHN HANNAH.

2. AFTER DISCUSSIONS WITH GON OFFICIALS, DAHL TELEPHONED E/C
COUNSELOR
TO EXPRESS CONCERN.
DAHL EXPLAINED THAT DECISION TO PROPOSE AASLAND AS A CANDIDATE
WAS ONLY MADE AFTER CONSULTATIONS WITH AGRICULTURE ASSISTANT
SECRETARY HATHAWAY AND HANNAH IN ROME WHICH LEFT GON WITH THE
IMPRESSION THAT US ENCOURAGED AASLAND'S CANDIDACY. THIS IMPRESSION
WAS STRENGTHENED AT A SUBSEQUENT MEETING IN WASHINGTON BETWEEN
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HATHAWAY AND NORWEGIAN AMBASSADOR SOMMER-
FELDT WHERE IT WAS AGREED THAT AASLAND SHOULD VISIT WASHINGTON
TO DISCUSS HIS CANDIDACY WITH HATHAWAY AND STATE DEPARTMENT
OFFICIALS.

3. DAHL ASKED IF WE COULD OBTAIN CLARIFICATION AS TO WHETHER
US MOVE NOW MAKES AASLAND'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON UNDESIREABLE?

(PLAN WAS FOR AASLAND TO GO TO ROME FOR TALKS NEXT WEEK, THEN
TO WASHINGTON PRIOR TO MEETING WITH UN OFFICIALS IN NEW YORK
THE FOLLOWING WEEK).
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